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Note by the Secretariat

The Secretariat has the honour to bring to the attention of the Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management its report on new developments with regard to the knowledge base for geospatial information management, which is available in the language of submission only from the website of the Committee of Experts (http://ggim.un.org/ggim_committee.html). The Committee of Experts is invited to take note of the report.

Summary of the report

At its fifth session, held in New York from 5 to 7 August 2015, the Committee of Experts took note of the report of the Secretariat on the status of the development of the knowledge base for geospatial information, including its functionalities and dissemination through a web-based portal. The Committee acknowledged the critical role of the knowledge base portal as a valuable tool for information-sharing and capacity-building, encouraged Member States and the five regional committees to continue to provide relevant material to the Secretariat for the population of the knowledge base and requested the Secretariat to periodically report on the continued maintenance of the portal.

In its report, the Secretariat provides an overview of the improvements in the thematic structure of and the content and functionalities added to the existing resources of the knowledge base since the Committee's fifth session. Given that the geospatial information management portal has been developed, the report outlines a number of actions to be taken for updating it.

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